*Conductor's certificate*

* 218 *Q.*—Sri K. SATTANATHA KARAYALAR: Will the Hon. the Minister for Electricity be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether it is a fact that the issue of conductor's certificate is suspended for sometime past in Tirunelveli district;

(*b*) if so, the reasons therefor;

(*c*) whether the re-issue of the certificates issued by the former Travancore-Cochin State authorities, has also been suspended; and

(*d*) if so, the steps taken to make these certificates valid in Madras State?

The Hon. Sri V. RAMIAH: (*a*) Yes, Sir.

(*b*) The issue of fresh conductor's certificate has been suspended under rule 241 (i) (iv) of the Madras Motor Vehicles Rules as the number of conductor's certificates extant is already in excess of the requirements of the district.

(*c*) & (*d*) The re-issue of the certificates issued by the former Travancore-Cochin State authorities has been taken up by the Regional Transport Officer, Kanyakumari, as all the conductor's certificate-holders are permanent residents of Kanyakumari district. The Travancore-Cochin Motor Vehicles Rules are still in force in Kanyakumari district and the conductor's certificates issued by the former Travancore-Cochin authorities are valid until such time as the Madras Motor Vehicles Rules are introduced in Kanyakumari district.

Sri A. A. RASHEED: May I know on what basis these certificates are issued?

The Hon. Sri V. RAMIAH: Qualifications have been prescribed for the same.

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*Low Scale Famine Works*

* 219 *Q.*—Sri T. S. RAMASWAMY PILLAI: Will the Hon. the Minister for Revenue be pleased to state—

(*a*) the details of the 'Low Scale Famine Works' done in the Kanyakumari district during the last financial year; and

(*b*) the total cost of the works?

The Hon. Sri M. A. MANICKAVELU: (*a*) & (*b*) No low scale famine relief work was taken up in Kanyakumari district in 1956–57 as the necessity for it did not arise.

Sri T. S RAMASWAMY PILLAI: May I know whether the Hon. Minister is aware of the fact that this subject was referred to in His Excellency the Governor's Address delivered during the last session? In the last Governor's Address reference was made to starting of "Low Scale Famine Works" in Kanyakumari and